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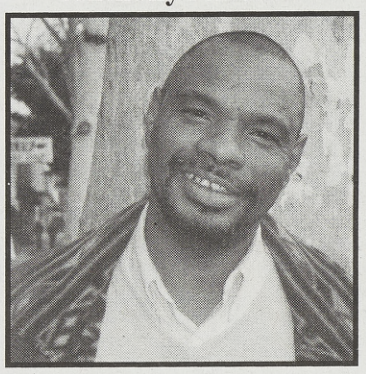
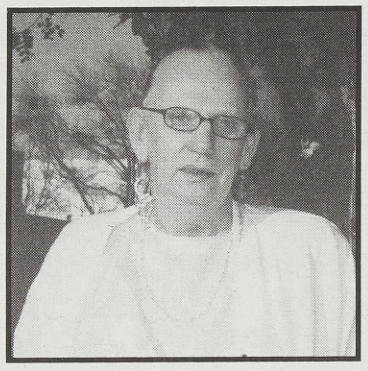


Truck Driver
Sacramento

My partner and I plan to go to Sacramento Zoo to spend our Valentines Day. Sacramento Zoo is a beautiful place with lots of wild animals that need visitors!

Geneva Parsons



College Student
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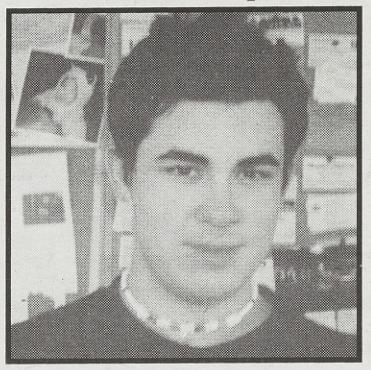
A doctor once told me a person who really loves you, loves you regardless of who you are. This Valentines Day I'm buying myself my favorite box of chocolates and maybe the right person will come along!

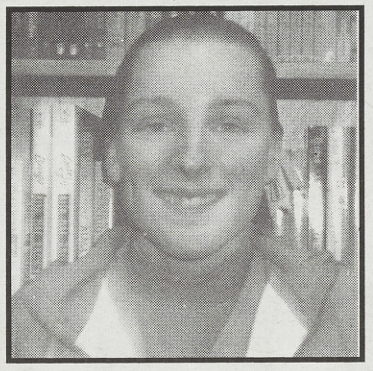
Manuel Marquez



Entrepreneur
Midtown

I am spending Valentines Day alone eating chocolate bars! I will have my eyes open dreaming of that perfect match made in heaven! If you are lonely, it's ok!

Courtney Waldron



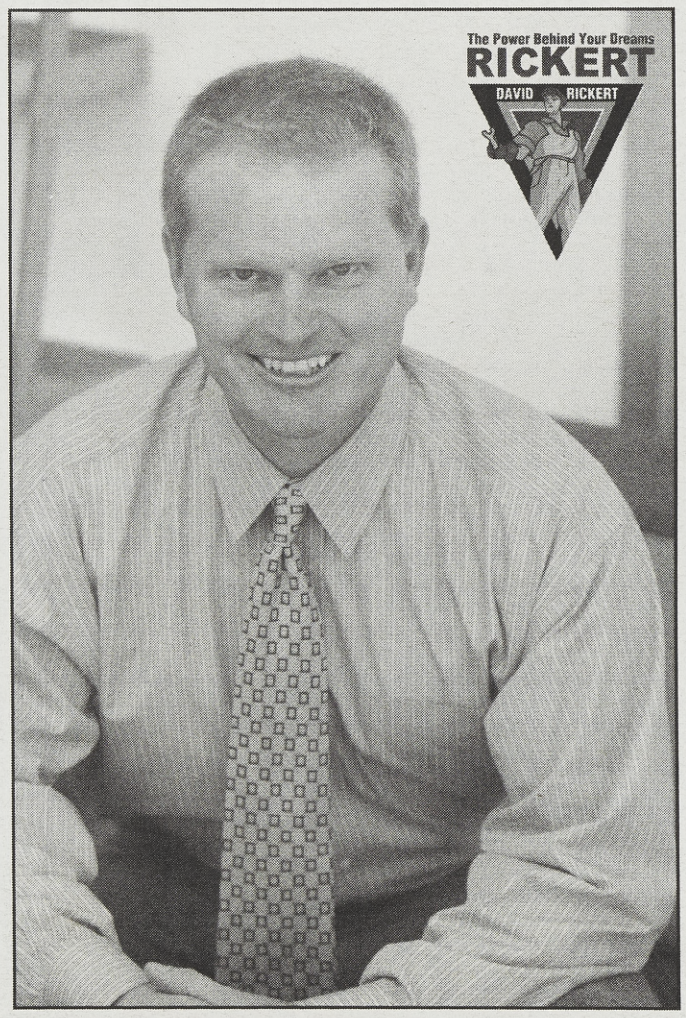
Student
Sacramento

My plans for Valentines Day this year will be going to Hawaii! This will be my second visit to Honolulu for school related assignments. My thoughts will be with my partner who is in Kuwait.

John Andrada

Bachelor
Vacaville

I am currently single and will be with my best friend having dinner in San Francisco and dancing at the clubs. We will toast the night with a bottle of champagne.



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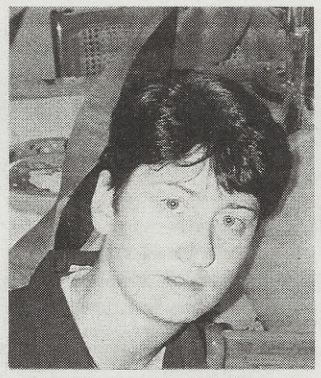

Kathy LaMadrid

Missing since: 12/17/2004
Birthdate & age: 10/25/1964, 40
Sex: Female Race: White
Height: 5'10"
Weight: 160-170 lbs.
Eye color: Hazel with blue
Hair color: may vary; dark blond to black
Distinguishing marks: a red & black tattoo on her left ring finger.

Missing Person
A reward is being offered for her return

Kathy was last seen in downtown Fort Bragg, Ca. around 4p.m.. She generally wears her hair short, and was last seen wearing dark baggy mens' clothing with a wallet hooked on a chain in front pocket. Her family and friends miss her and are very concerned.

Please call Reuben at 707-962-0833 *immediately* if you have any information about Kathy LaMadrid. We would really like to hear from her to know that she is ok.

In Sacramento you can contact:

Shelli LaMadrid
916.879.3505

E:mail:
Tahoe_girl@netzero.net

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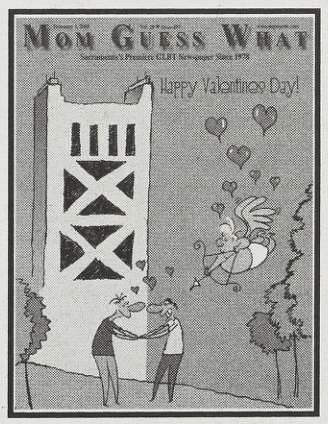

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The Changing Meanings Of Marriage

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E.J. Graff is a Resident resident Scholar scholar at the Brandeis Women's Studies Research Center. Her book, What Is Marriage For? The Strange Social History of Our Most Intimate Institution, is an engaging feminist examination of 2,500 years of marriage in the West, and her findings shed clarifying light on the current debate over same-gender civil marriage for same-sex pairs. Copies of the book will be available for sale at the event, and a book-signing will follow her talk.

E.J. Graff is a Senior senior Correspondent correspondent for The American Prospect, and a contributing writer for Out magazine. Her writing has appeared in such publications as The New York Times Magazine, The Boston Globe, The Los Angeles Times, Ms., The Nation, The New Republic, The Village Voice, Salon.com, The Women's Review of Books, and in more than a dozen anthologies. She is regularly interviewed by public and commercial media outlets across the United States and abroad, such as MTV, PBS, NPR, CBC, BBC, and The Christian Science Monitor.

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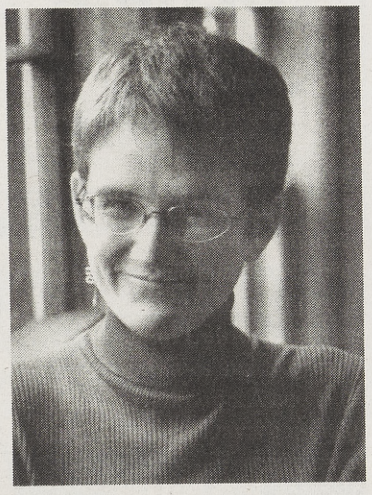
Regular meetings of the UU Campus Ministry Group at UC Davis are taking place during Winter Quarter 2005 on Thursdays from 7-8:30 pm p.m.at 433 Russell Blvd. (CA House) in Davis. , Davis California For more information about the **E.J. Graff** lecture or about the UU Campus Ministry Group at UC Davis, please contact Campus Minister **Greg McGonigle** at intern@uusofdavis.org or (530) 753-2581, ext.102. ▼



E.J.Graff

New GLBTI Leadership Group in Sacramento; Representing One Voice

There is a new voice in town. Leaders from the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex (LGBTI) community have banded together to form a new group focused on bringing together the diverse elements of the community to encourage the sharing of ideas, working together on common goals and challenges facing our community.

The group began on November 10th, 2004 as an informal meeting to establish a universal events calendar for the LGBTI community, but quickly discovered the need for a central voice for the diverse groups and businesses representing the LGBTI population in Sacramento. So a new organization was formed, with a panel of eleven volunteer representatives who will chair future meetings and developments for the year 2005.

The new- and as yet unnamed group - will hold public "Town Hall" style meetings every two months, and the leadership panel will meet every month. The first meeting was held on January 13, 2005 at Uptown Studios, a downtown art gallery run by **Tina Reynolds**, who is serving as Co-Chair for the group with **Paul Curtis**, President of the Board of CARES.

Other members of the panel include **Bonnie Cattando**, **Rev. Charles Cooper**, **Marghe Covino**, **Cassandra Davis**, **JG Gonsalves**, **Mike Johnston**, and **Nan McKernan**.

Members of our community that are leaders – business leaders, executives, and representatives from each of the diverse groups within Sacramento – are encouraged to join the panel on February 10th to share their wisdom.

In addition to coordinating a central calendar of LGBTI events, the group will serve as a local contact for the media, government, and other allies in the Sacramento area looking to work with or gain knowledge of the LGBTI community. It will serve as a central leadership consortium of all the diverse groups within the LGBTI community that provides information, promotes communication and encourages networking.

Core leaders will also attend and represent the community at a variety of other functions within the Sacramento community in an effort to fully represent the diversity of the Sacramento LGBTI community and build bridges between other local groups.

The general membership will consist of people recognized as committed members of the community who take part in community work or leadership roles.

The next meeting will be held at Uptown Studios on February 10th, 2005, at 6pm and will be open to anyone who wishes to attend. The meeting is scheduled to last 45 minutes, and will discuss a variety of issues related to the formation of the group. Uptown Studios will host a social hour following the meeting.

For more information contact **Tina Reynolds**, Uptown Studios 916.446.1082, tina@uptownstudios.net or **Paul Curtis**, pacurtis@aol.com ▼

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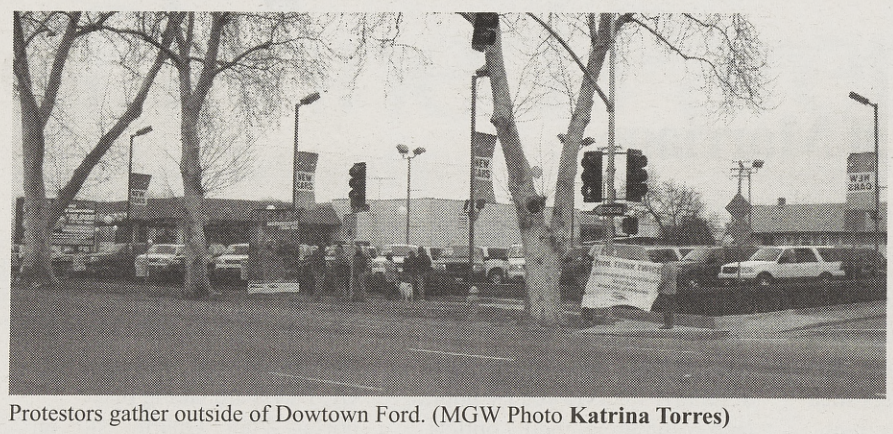
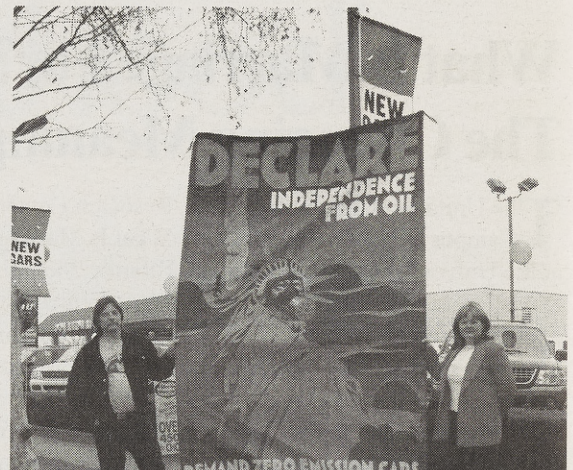


Protestors gather outside of Dowtown Ford. (MGW Photo **Katrina Torres)**



Protestors held banners in support of bringing in zero-emission vehicles. (MGW Photo **Katrina Torres)**

Jumpstart My Heart

A love Story With a Happy Ending

By Katrina Torres
MGW Staff

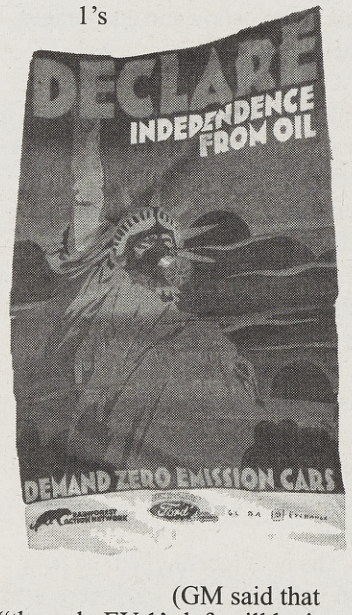
It was noon on January 15th, and I was standing on the frozen sidewalk with a crowd of determined eco-warriors outside of the Downtown Ford sales lot on 16th Street in Sacramento, protesting the death, or should I say murder, of Ford's only zero-emission manufacturing program. Around me I saw die-hard "greenies", construction workers and corporate directors, all with the same thing on their minds, stopping a an environmental travesty. It was the beginning of an eight day vigil, with outraged EV (electric vehicle) owners camping in the back of their trucks in the bitter mid-January cold to protest the repossession and destruction of their Ford Ranger EV's and to demand that Ford keep it's original promise to sell the petroleum-free, pollution-free pickups to loyal California lessees.

It took awhile for my enthusiasm to catch up with my resolve. My stomach was growling, I'd left my coat in the car a block away, and it was cold as a witches…well, let's leave my ex out of this, shall we? Anyway, this is a TRUE love story. The love that thousands of happy drivers had for their leased zero-emission Ford Ranger EV pickups, one of a number of electric vehicles created in 1999-2000 in response to a California mandate that required 10% of the light –duty vehicles sold by the largest automakers to be zero-emission.

Finally, what we'd all been waiting for. Guilt-free, economic, reliable, emission-free transportation that didn't involve sweat, stretching or blisters. But like many love stories, it started out great and ended up involving a rocky road filled with tears, anger and desperate measures.

But true love always cries out for a voice, and so the grassroots environmental coalition, Jumpstart Ford, was born.

After the auto industries' gutting of California's zero-emission mandate in 2002, apparently Ford didn't consider it profitable enough to make vehicles that didn't cause cancer, asthma, or global warming; and after all, for big business it's all about the bottom line, isn't it? First GM crushed all 500+ EV-1's



(GM said that "the only EV-1's left will be in museums or in limited testing facilities"), and now Ford and Honda were confiscating and destroying the EV's they produced. The Ford Motor Company pulled the Ford TH!NK vehicles and Ranger EV's out from under their happy lessees, smashed them into sheets and quietly tried to sell them as scrap metal.

Even after a successful 3 year trial in which thousands of people got on waiting lists to get one, the Ford Motor Company turned a deaf ear, despite dismayed and spirited protests by the people who had leased them, indignant public outcry, and environmentalist groups who had rejoiced in the vehicles' creation. As of 2005, the new modified rule required that only 2% of California manufacturers vehicles sold meet the zero-emissions standards, which gave Ford even less reason to continue to pursue environmentally sound practices.

You would think that Ford would have tried a little harder. After all, the EPA has ranked Ford with the worst overall fuel efficiency of all the major automakers for 20 of the last 30 years. With it's fuel efficiency rating dead last among the top six automakers for the fifth consecutive year, Ford manufactures 280,000 F-150's a year, each one generating up to 100 tons of atmospheric carbon over it's lifetime.

As of January 15th, 1,200 of 1,500 zero-emission Ford Rangers EV's had been pulled in and destroyed, despite several years of public demonstrations, mock funerals, efforts by environmental groups and vigorous protests from Norway, who regard Ford's TH!NK EV as a national symbol of pride and progress for the role it plays in reducing air pollution and ending oil addiction. And then there are the renegade lessees, among them **Bill Korthoff**, who simply refused to turn in his EV, and kept sending in payments that Ford accepted, all the while telling him that he was in breach of contract by not turning in his vehicle to be crushed.

But like I said, this love story has a happy ending, as some do. According to a press release I received last night from The Rainforest Action Network, Global Exchange, and the San Francisco Vehicle Association, after 7 days of the vigil Neil Golightly, Ford's director of sustainable business practices and environmental strategies, who once admitted to USA Today that "Clearly, the entire industry could build nothing but zero emissions cars if it wanted to," agreed that Ford would sell the Ranger EV's to their lessees for a dollar apiece! And despite Ford's best efforts to short-circuit improved emission standards and fuel efficiency market incentives, new laws allow carpool access to hybrid vehicles that achieve at least 45 miles per gallon, a standard Ford hasn't met. Ford's TH!NK cars, originally slated for destruction, are now on their way to Norway to be sold to customers on long waiting lists.

Today, January 22, 2005, there was a second gathering in front of Downtown Ford, as the vigil will continue until a public, formal announcement has been made by the automaker. But today's gathering was not a demonstration; it was a celebration, complete with clowns, balloons, banners and even tofu dogs. Gone were the grim, determined faces, replaced by wide smiles, light steps, and honking, waving passers-by. Shortly after noon a triumphant electric vehicle parade led the way to a BBQ at Cesar Chavez Park, with a "free lunch for anyone who supports zero emission vehicles". I must admit, I self-consciously hung back with my less than fuel-efficient GMC van, and admired the sharp looking EV's, any one of which I would have been happy to be seen in. I guess I know what my next vehicle is going to be, and thanks to this group of dedicated citizens, we will all now have that choice. ▼

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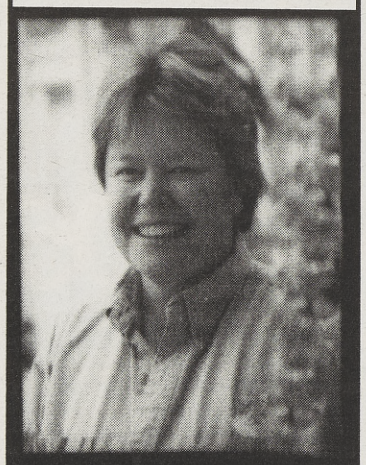

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UC Davis hosts 16th Annual Western Regional LGBTQIA College Conference

Putting the Puzzle Together: Connecting Communities and Identities"

The University of California, Davis will be hosting the 16th annual Western Regional Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, and Ally (LGBTQIA) College Conference **February 18-20, 2005**. This year's theme **"Putting the Puzzle Together: Connecting Communities & Identities"** is designed to bring our individual identities together within ourselves and collectively to celebrate our uniqueness.

Pre-registration deadline is February 4, 2005, On-site registration pending availability. Registration forms are available on-line.

For the past 15 years, this conference has been hosted at different UC campuses. With growing attendance and participation from other colleges and universities, we have expanded to a Western Regional College Conference. Organized by the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Resource Center at UC Davis and student leaders, this ground-breaking conference will bring together over 850 students, educators, and community members to Davis, California.

The Western Regional LGBTQIA College Conference will be one of the only regional educational efforts to address the health and safety of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and intersex individuals. The conference will reach young people all over California and the western region of the United States, while bringing needed attention to such issues as hate crimes, health and family issues, and the empowerment of young people to challenge a homophobic and heterosexist world. The conference will reach out to heterosexual allies in our schools, faith organizations, and cultural communities to raise awareness and address social issues.

Keynote speakers for this year's conference include: **Monroe France, Lani Ka'ahumanu**, and **Emi Koyama**.

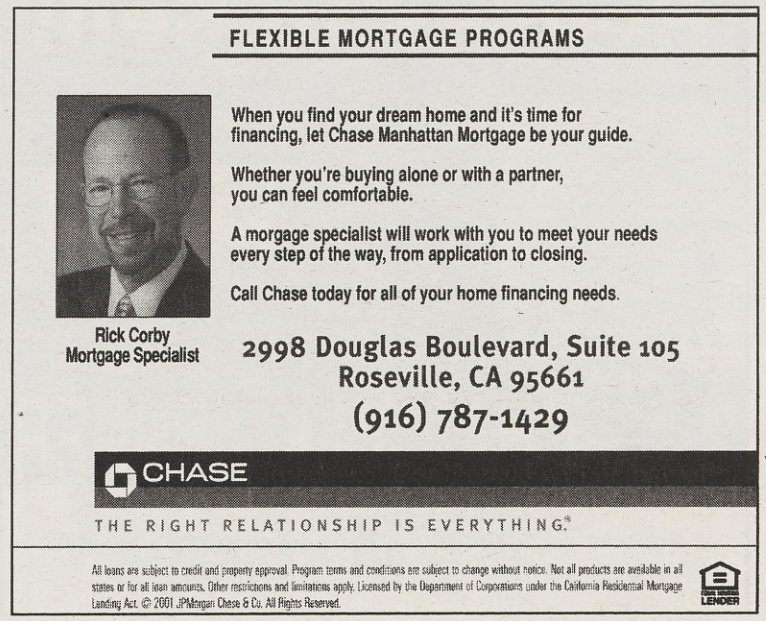
Monroe France is the Coordinator of Social Justice Programs at New York University's Office of Student Activities (OSA). He is the founder, co-owner, and one of the primary facilitators for Envision, a social justice consulting organization. As a professional in higher education Monroe's passion for anti-oppression and social justice work has translated into developing programs and training and educational initiatives that provide both students and professionals the tools needed to begin the work of understanding self and their responsibilities within the world.

Ka'ahumanu is a published author, editor, and poet. She and **Loraine Hutchins** co-edited the ground breaking feminist anthology BI ANY OTHER NAME: Bisexual People Speak Out (Alyson, 1991), which was listed on the Top 100 Queer Books of the 20th Century by Lambda Book Review.

Emi Koyama is a multi-issue social justice slut synthesizing feminist, Asian, survivor, dyke, queer, sex worker, intersex, genderqueer, and crip politics, as these factors, while not a complete descriptor of who she is, all impacted her life. Emi is currently the director of Intersex Initiative.

Saturday evening entertainment includes Deep Dickolective, a queer hip hop group; King Heat, a drag king event created by Fast Friday Production's Sile P. Singleton; all followed by dancing.

All events will be held on the main UC Davis campus in the Memorial Union and Freeborn Hall. Pre-registration ends February 4, 2005. On-site registration is available pending availability. To learn more about the Conference's past, present, future I invite you to go to our conference's website for updates at: www.comeoutwest.org. ▼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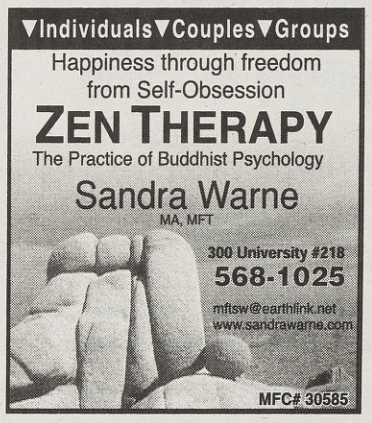

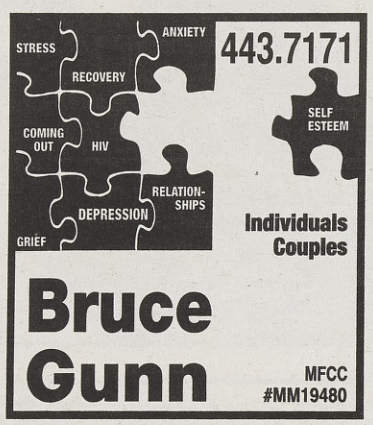

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Stonewall Democrats Criticize White House Attempt to Censor The Gay Families

The National Stonewall Democrats (NSD) criticized the Bush Administration for attempting to censor the portrayal of a gay family in a television program sponsored by the Department of Education. Yesterday, Education Secretary **Margaret Spellings** denounced the Public Broadcasting System (PBS) for funding an episode of a children's program that featured a real-life farm couple that happened to be lesbian.

"Gay families should not be censored and hidden by the Bush Administration," said **Dave Noble**, NSD Executive Director. "Our families are the normal neighbors of millions of fellow Americans. Yet, in an episode that does not even mention gay issues, the portrayal of an actual family is viewed as a shameful threat by this White House. The Bush Administration is not only attempting to segregate our families into a second-class status in law, but in the public mind as well."

The "Sugartime!" episode of *Postcards from Buster* features the title cartoon character visiting a real-life farm in Vermont to learn about maple syrup. Although gay issues were not discussed, the farm couple featured in the episode was gay.

"Many parents would not want their young children exposed to the lifestyles portrayed in the episode," Spellings wrote in a letter to the President of PBS, who has decided not to air the episode on PBS stations. Spelling further requested that all images linking the Department of Education to the episode be removed.

National Stonewall Democrats is the only national organization of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender Democrats, with more than 90 local chapters across the nation. NSD is committed to working through the Democratic Party to advance the rights of all people regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity. ▼

Joan Garry To Step Down From Helm Of GLAAD

The Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) announced that, after eight years at its helm, **Joan M. Garry** will step down as the organization's Executive Director when her contract expires on June 15, 2005.

"I look back at the past eight years as the most professionally and personally rewarding of my life," Garry said. "And now feels like the right time to pass the baton. This job requires significant travel, and right now I'd like to travel less, be at home more, and spend a bit more time with my kids and my partner.

"There's also a very practical element to the timing of this," Garry added. "My contract obligated me to tell the GLAAD board by the end of January whether I would be interested in renewing. This gives all of us enough time to create an orderly, effective transition. GLAAD is fiscally strong, we have a clear vision for our future, and in our strategic plan we have a roadmap to that future that I feel privileged to be able to pass on to my successor. I wouldn't have decided to leave GLAAD without those elements in place. I care way too much about this organization and its future."

"Over the past eight years, Joan has created a world-class civil rights organization -- transforming GLAAD from $1.8 million in revenue and 18 staff to a 2005 budget of $7.3 million and a staff of 45," said GLAAD Board Co-chair **John Hadity**, who is also Executive Vice President of Motion Picture & Television Production Finance for Miramax Films. "We wish she could stay, and we will miss her terribly. But the board and staff have a lot of respect for her decision and have every confidence that this change will present us with new and exciting opportunities to build on the vision and the rock-solid organization she leaves behind."

The GLAAD board has retained CompassPoint, a firm that specializes in working with non-profits in organizational transition management, and a specialist on executive transitions will facilitate a planning discussion at the GLAAD board meeting this weekend in Los Angeles. At that time, the board will discuss the transition and develop outlines and a timetable for the search process.

"As for my own career path, I look forward to establishing a new and active leadership role within the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender movement that will enable me to continue playing a part in our fight for equality," Garry said. "I care deeply about civil rights for our community. I believe more strongly than ever that our stories have the power to make those civil rights a reality; and I want to continue to share the expertise and the relationships that I feel so privileged to have gained during my time at GLAAD."

"GLAAD really came into its own under Joan's leadership," said **Tim Sweeney**, Program Director at the Evelyn & Walter Haas, Jr. Fund and former executive director of Lambda Legal and Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC). "While I and many others are sad to see her go, I'm thrilled and comforted to know that Joan's voice, her clarity, her intelligence and her determination will continue to be a vital part of our movement."

"But let's be clear: I am not resigning tomorrow," Garry said. "Between now and June 15 there is much to do. Our board meeting will also be about our goals and priorities in the year ahead. Our strategic plan calls for significant expansion of our organization and our program work in 2005. I am committed to ensuring that the next five months continue us down that path to success in the years to come."

"So no good-byes yet. That'll come later. Right now, we've got work to do." ▼

F/T Position Available:
Researcher On GLBTI Rights

Human Rights Watch, the international human rights monitoring and advocacy organization, is seeking a researcher for its new program on GLBT Rights. This program investigates, reports on and does advocacy in favor of ending human rights abuses based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression.

Description: Under the supervision of the director of the LGBT program, who will provide guidance on the choice of research and advocacy projects, the researcher will focus on human rights abuses related to sexual orientation and gender identity and expression worldwide. S/he will be responsible for ongoing research and advocacy efforts, play an important role in developing strategies for dealing with human rights issues related to sexuality and sexual rights, and contribute to policy development in this area. A particular though not exclusive focus of the position will be researching abuses against lesbian and bisexual women, and experience in this realm is highly desirable. The researcher will carry out fact-finding missions to target countries; write and publicize reports on findings; develop advocacy strategies; present human rights concerns to governments, intergovernmental and nongovernmental organizations, and the press; and write press releases, articles, op-eds, and position papers.

The researcher will coordinate research and advocacy plans with the HRW thematic and regional divisions. S/he will help create and maintain partnerships with NGOs working on sexual rights and will follow media and other reports on human rights abuses based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression. S/he may also be responsible for editing, representing the program in seminars and other meetings, and related tasks. The researcher will be based preferably in our New York headquarters, although other locations may be considered. Interviews in New York for short-listed candidates are tentatively scheduled for March.

Qualifications: An advanced degree in law, public health, international relations, women's studies, or a related field, and two to three years of experience in human rights, with a preferred emphasis in women's rights, GLBT rights, or a closely related area, are required. Candidates must have research experience and advocacy skills and should have good interviewing skills; field experience in public health or human rights is strongly desirable, as is demonstrated experience working with sexual minorities and GLBT communities.

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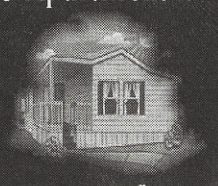

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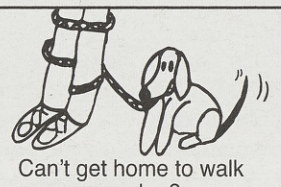

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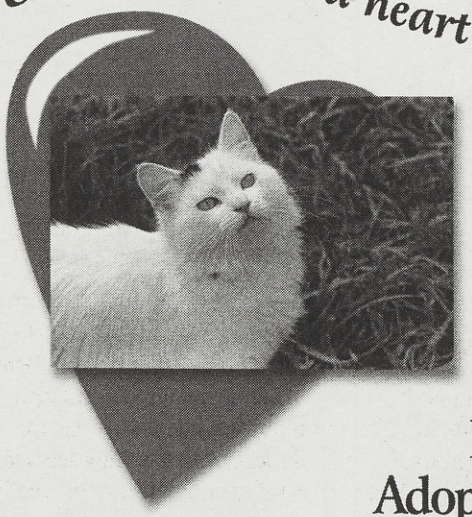

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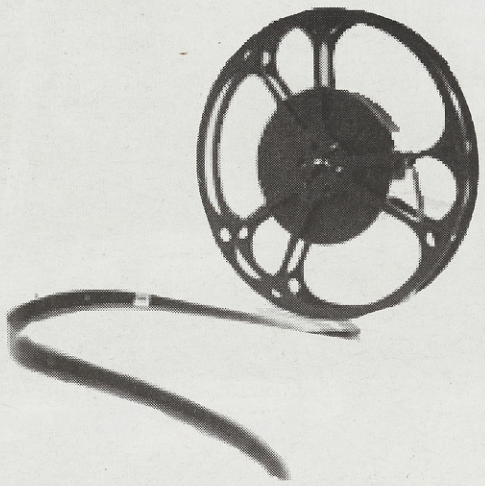

In Good Company

Starring Dennis Quaid, Topher Grace, Scarlett Johansson. Written and directed by Paul Weitz.
(Rated PG-13, 109 min.)

Topher Grace and **Dennis Quaid** find themselves in a tough game of office basketball in Paul Weitz' ***In Good Company***.

Three's Company

Losing a job sucks. The people you see more often than your own family suddenly become ordinary people again—strangers, not friendly associates. All that work you've always considered so important suddenly becomes irrelevant in the greater scheme of things. All that money you've banked on coming in to pay for the vacations you want to take and the children you want to send off to good schools suddenly evaporates.

Having to tell someone they're fired sucks too. Even though you still have a job, you have to make it seem as though you're sorry, when actually you're glad it's not you who's leaving.

In Good Company is an interesting mix of satire, comedy, and drama that reveals the true state of contemporary business culture like few nonfiction films do. Its romantic angle may be misplaced but the intergenerational confrontation it depicts is spot-on. The film taps into the fear that coexists alongside the ongoing trend of mergers and acquisitions among media companies around the world.

Dan Foreman (**Dennis Quaid**) is just over 50, a longtime sales VP for a wildly popular sports magazine. He's a bit old-school—for example, he believes in forging honest, personal relationships with potential customers—but he also knows how to go with the flow.

Except one day that flow turns into a tidal wave that turns the office upside-down. Soon after a large, multinational corporation buys the company that runs his magazine, the office is invaded by young, caffeine-buzzed MBA graduates who dress in fancy threads and bandy about such terms as "efficiencies," "team," and, most mysteriously, "synergy."

Dan is put in the awkward position of laying off some of his closest sales associates—while, naturally, having to admit that he gets to keep his job. But then his new boss walks in the door—one of those fresh-faced punks who's young enough to be his son. Carter Duryea (**Topher Grace**) is taking his corner office and sending ex-VP Dan down the hall.

As a success story in the corporate world, Carter is wildly in over his head. He has experience spouting buzzwords that make him look professional but he has zero experience in sales. No matter; he thinks his charisma will win over the team—after all, he won over Teddy K (a wonderfully satirical **Malcolm McDowell**), the revered leader of the media conglomerate who tapped Carter to run the magazine. But when he can't even win over his wife just one year into their marriage, you begin to sense his vulnerability and the shallowness of his character.

Carter is thrilled to keep Dan on his team so he can mine his talent and knowledge. He thinks Dan will make "an awesome wingman." Dan would rather not play second fiddle to anyone at this stage of his career but he knows that finding a comparable job elsewhere with the same salary would be pretty difficult, given the state of the economy and the industry he works in.

Carter is at his most personable when he meets Dan's daughter, Alex (**Scarlett Johansson**). She comes to pick up her dad so they can play tennis at the nearby gym. She thinks he's just some new guy at the office, not her dad's new boss. He doesn't know she's Dan's kid, and so confides in her that he's really nervous about starting the new job. Carter thinks he has it all—except direction. Everything has worked out for him, without his really earning it.

As forced relationships go, the one between Carter and Alex begs suspension of disbelief. Even though she is concerned about her dad, she blithely opens up to Carter, explaining only that he somehow makes her feel good. He likes her because she makes him feel normal. On its own, it could be an interesting relationship—she's studying at NYU to be a writer, he wants to continue his trajectory towards the top, maybe—but in the context of this film's office politics, this relationship is real dynamite.

As Dr. Phil might say, "What were you *thinking*?"

Even so, *In Good Company* has an edge that keeps it lively for its relatively short duration. Except for the inevitable speech where Dan expresses what everyone else is too scared to say, the film keeps its focus on the Darwinian nature of office politics and how ordinary people cope with change that may anoint them one minute and destroy them the next.

In Good Company opened January 14 at major area theaters. Info: www.ingoodcompanymovie.com. ▼

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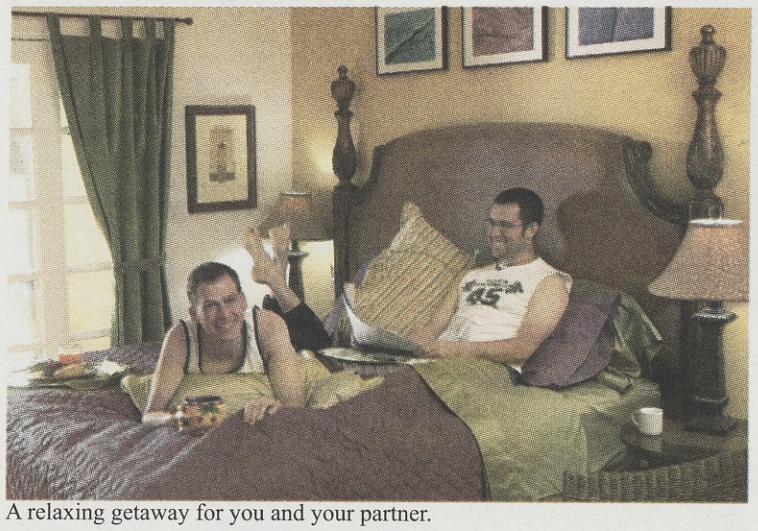

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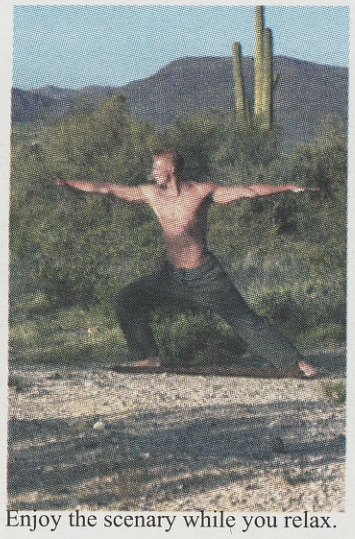

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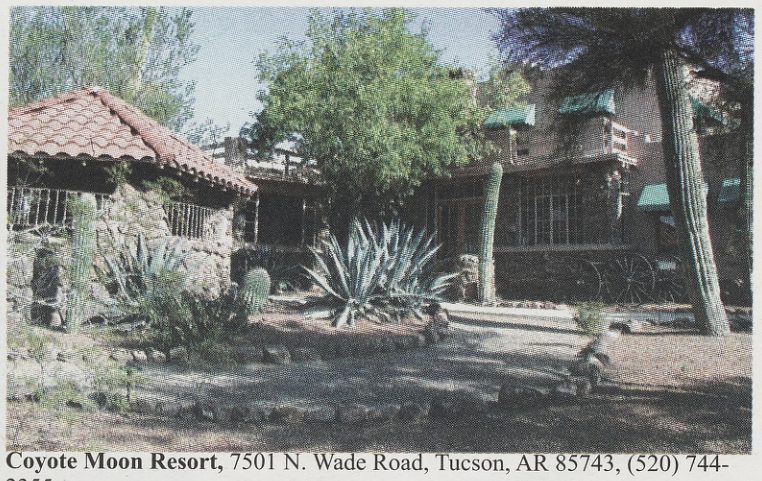

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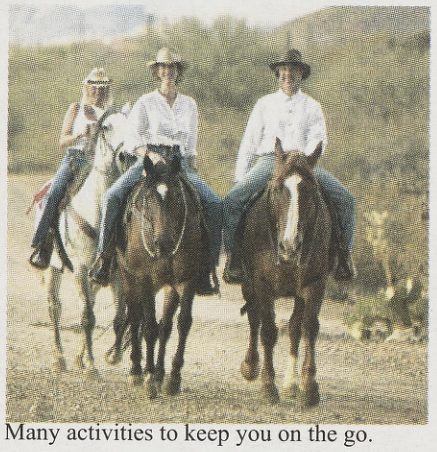

Many activities to keep you on the go.

Coyote Moon: Something To Howl About

Star gazing at the sky above Tucson, Arizona, the night time meteor showers caught the glimpse of a first quarter moon whose clarity made if appear as if there were a lunar eclipse. The stillness of the desert and views of surrounding cacti evolved into the sounds of distant coyote and nearby pig-like javalinas blindingly hoarding purposely placed vegetation in front of the welcome area of the 30-acre Coyote Moon Resort.

I recall the more than gay friendly skies of American Airlines transporting me to a much less crowded airport and being met by **Todd Martin's** dad, Mark. It was Todd who awakened **Joe Studer's** mind, body and spirit and helped him decide to transform a former guest ranch, nestled at the base of the Sombrero Peak, into the first holistic resort and spa geared to the more older and financially stable gay and lesbian community.

I checked in, viewed the lay of the land and was handed my itinerary for the next four days. As I unpacked in my authentic Spanish casita-style adobe and lava-stone structured guest room, I drank one of the many provided bottles of water and thought how much I was looking forward to relaxing and rejuvenating while hoping that the menu would not specialize in tofu turkey, bean loaf and carob pudding.

But, alas, due to dominations of vegetarian guests, the Cooking Class, run by head chef **Kelly Kimpton**, a Miraval transfer, focused on Butternut Squash ravioli in a wild mushroom sauce. For the next two days the song, "It Was Flatuation" ran through my mind. Do not fear, days later I was finally blessed with a breakfast of steak and eggs and a pheasant dinner.

Joe and I had a chance to chat about the resort. It appears that for the past ten years his Bostonian lifestyle was one of living in a mansion, going to dinner parties, theatre and trips to both P'Town and Palm Springs. As we walked along the peacefulness of the cacti, drinking a bottle of water, I understood why he gave it up and requested a few bandages for the toe that just got pricked.

Lynn White, another Miraval transfer, now Coyote Moon Spa Manager, removed the thorn and treated me with an 80-minute scrub and rebalancing Seaweed Wrap using Seaweed Mud, a blend of three types of seaweed. A customized body cream made with goat milk followed this. A few days later, after drinking a bottle of water, I was indulged in one of her Vitality Facials. Still, I believe I may owe my life for that thorn bit.

Early morn had me venturing on a hot air balloon excursion, despite my fear of heights aka height-drophobia. Thunderbird Adventures takes off from Coyote Moon's premises. It was an enthralling experience drifting above red rocks, mountains, and a cotton field. Boo boo time, as the basket immediately topple over upon landing and as I grabbed for safety and pitied the women that I fell on, my poor nail ripped, but hung, from my middle finger. I, of course had to show everyone.

A manicurist was unavailable upon my return. However, **James McIlrath**, Coyote's Spa Director and former Spa Director of Miraval…perhaps a pattern here…performed the necessary surgery and gave me a body conditioning massage using Swedish strokes, shiatsu stretches, reflexology, rekei and cranio-sacral. I drank a bottle of water and thought how both my finger and I were grateful.

The mild temperatures beckoned me to stroll the grounds. I said to myself, "self, you can go for a swim in the outdoor pool, play tennis, engage in a game of sand volleyball, or take a dip in the Jacuzzi". Then I remembered that I don't know how to swim, don't really like being in the water and since everyone was off doing their own thing, tennis and volleyball were out of the question, not to mention that I've never handled a tennis racket or played volleyball since being in **Lucille Kyvallos'** gym class.

Lunch was a spiritual experience as I sat amongst a water fountain and citrus trees located just outside of the Clubhouse. Actually, if gave me an excuse to pick my own grapefruit and orange.

After drinking a bottle of water, I decided to feed and pet the horses over at the Corral, where a movie scene set was the backdrop of Coyote Moon's Old West Town. There was the thought of horseback riding. Although they offer this option these horses are not part of the plan. Then I remembered that my fear of heights extended to being on top of a horse.

An absolutely delectable dinner was followed with a lecture on Tarot and Past Lives. Was I a camel is a past life? Would it be in the cards for me to entertain at Coyote Moon? At first I thought that Todd was going to play "Tea For One", but the few guests and staff all showed for my audition. Being a Gemini, I performed a scene from the Wizard of Oz with all of the characters and did my rendition of I Left My Heart In San Francisco.

I breathed the night air as it turned from clear to odorous. There was a javalina a few feet away, snorting songs of pumpkins, squash and brussel sprouts. Since it did not present a pork chop in exchange, I gave it nothing.

The morning before my departure I went to the area known as the Ramada, a partially enclosed space with tables, chairs, couches, barbecue and band stand that abuts the Waterfalls Patio. As I sat, drinking a bottle of water, I contemplated how much more unstressed I was feeling, the freedom of being amongst my peers in a luxurious facility and the wish to return to a supportive and loving staff.

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"It Is Good To Be King!"

Okay, now I know why **Yul Brenner**, playing the king of Siam in the classic flick ***The King and I***, uttered those words. It was the food. If all the food in the country Siam is as good as the food at the restaurant Siam, then pack my bags and book me the first flight out! My supervisor, Mary, had repeatedly recommended Siam, and since the weather was a bit chilly out and I thought a little spicy repast might warm me up, I decided to give it a try. Although I had a little trouble finding the place the first time due to foggy conditions (mostly between my ears), my first bite gave me plenty of incentive to remember exactly how to get there in the future, although the bright red neon SIAM sign helps a bit too.

With seating for about fifty, the split level dining area is comfortable, clean and attractive, with a bright, cheery yellow interior accented with red and gold embellishments, pagoda shapes, a lovely mural across the back wall, and exotic headdresses in a glass case. Several golden kneeling and reclining statuettes were real eye-catchers, probably representing deities I should recognize but don't, and the crowd was mostly Asian, a promising indication. I was immediately struck by the service. It was delightful and friendly. The real kind of friendly, not the pasted-on-face kind. Although I went back several times and enjoyed different wait staff, the service was always genuinely warm and inviting.

On my first visit, I ordered the # 7 appetizer, the Miang Kum, an addictive dish I'm sure I will enjoy many times. This is fun food, folks. The trick is to take a lettuce leaf, and sprinkle on the flavorful little dried shrimp, the diced red onion and the finely diced little squares of galangal, a milder, user-friendlier cousin of the ginger root. Then you add the roasted peanuts, toasted coconut and lime, all served in individual little bowls, and then top it off with the Siam special sauce, roll it up like a cigar and eat it like a little burrito. The lime was cut up in such tiny little pieces (rind and all) that I wasn't sure if I was supposed to squeeze them on top or roll them up inside, so I tried it both ways. Although the rind added a nippy little taste twist, I enjoyed it more when I just squeezed the juice out and discarded the peels. On a subsequent visit, my companion Cher preferred it with the rind on, as it was meant to be served.

With it I tried the Larb, a spicy Thai salad with little shreds and chunks of moist duck served on a bed of green leaf lettuce, seasoned with mint, chili, lime, and cilantro, and garnished with crisp shredded red and white cabbage, carrots and roasted peanuts. Served with a side of rice, it made a great meal.

On my second visit, I thought I should try something a little different than my usual chicken this and chicken that, so I tried the Panang Curry with pork. It was a flavorful dish of slices of pork so tender you could cut them with a spoon, sliced red peppers and fresh basil in a rich, thick red curry sauce, with a drizzle of coconut milk on top. With a deceptively mild and full flavor, it had a little bite that crept up on me pleasantly. The sticky rice I had on the side had the perfect consistency to soak up the succulent curry sauce. With it I tried the Siam BBQ Chicken, a whole chicken the size of a large game hen, brushed with savory spices, grilled and served quartered with a garnish of shredded cabbage, sliced orange and a side of sweet chili sauce. Enough to serve 2 people, I enjoyed the remainder as a gourmet lunch the next day.

My third experience at Siam was take-out, a daily special called Pumpkin Curry. Lighter in color and with a slightly sweeter flavor than the Panang curry, it had big pieces of fork-tender calamari, sea scallops, prawns, mussels, red pepper slices and generous chunks of pumpkin all melding together perfectly in a wonderful, perfectly balanced sauce. It's not something I would have ordered on purpose, but since I had accidentally given the wrong item number, it's what was in the bag when I got home, and boy was I glad! The aroma alone attracted both roommates and all four cats. But they were all out of luck, because it was way too good to share.

Cher and I went back 2 days later, for a leisurely Sunday dinner. Starting with appetizers, we shared the Miang Kum, described earlier, and the Yum Pla Muk, a calamari salad tossed with Thai chili paste, mint, onions and lime juice, and served on a bed of fresh lettuce, and shredded cabbage. The calamari salad was refreshing and spicy enough to cure the common cold, and we had to restrain ourselves to keep from filling up

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on the appetizers while awaiting our main dishes. Unlike some Asian restaurants, who see no distinction between an appetizer and an entrée and often don't bring the appetizer until after you've almost finished your meal, the timing at Siam was impeccable, with the entrées arriving just as we finished the appetizers, and the dessert just as we'd had our fill of the entrees. We much appreciated that, as one of my pet peeves is having my appetizer served simultaneously with my dessert. I've had utterly uncomprehending wait-staff take back appetizers for doing that to me. While the nature of life allows me to see the advantages of eating dessert first, the concept of eating one's appetizer last doesn't make any sense to me at all.

As with most of Siam's entrees, we had our choice of pork, chicken, beef or tofu. The Panang Curry, with my choice of pork, had been so outstanding the first time that I had to have it again, while Cher ordered the Pad Eggplant, a delicious concoction of sautéed eggplant, sweet red bell peppers, onions, chicken and sweet basil in a thin, rich, dark black bean sauce. With a big bowl of steamed rice on the side, and washed down with a delicious Longanberry drink, the meal was more than satisfying, and we chose to take half of it home in order to save room for one of the exotic sounding desserts.

I've always hated bananas, but when we saw the delicious looking fried banana topped with coconut ice cream come to the next table, it was pretty easy to change my mind. Cut in big chunks, battered and deep fried to a crisp, golden brown, the banana came with a big scoop of coconut ice cream on top and was sprinkled with toasted coconut and chopped peanuts. The couple sharing the dish was quite enthusiastic, and after our first bite, we could see why. It was the first time in my life I'd ever enjoyed eating a banana, but I'm betting it won't be the last.

My next visit will be to try one of Siam's lunch specials, which range from $5.95 to $7.95, and are served from 11 am till 4 pm on weekdays. The Siam Signature Plates, Invisible Duck, Frog Legs with Hot Pepper and Mint, and Quail with garlic and pepper sound intriguing. I'm also looking forward to trying the Deep Fried Corn Cakes with sweet and sour sauce, the Roast Duck and the Tom Ka, a mild and spicy coconut soup with lemon grass, galangal, onions, and kaffir leaves, with your choice of seafood, chicken or tofu. A cup serves one or two people, and big bowl serves three to four, so that will be a good dish to share with my now eager roommates (one of whom had an amazingly spontaneous recovery from her long-standing curry aversion the moment she smelled my Pumpkin curry!).

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California Company Fined For Claiming HIV Cure

An Orange County company has agreed to pay $3.5 million to settle charges that it deceptively marketed a supplement to prevent or cure HIV/AIDS and numerous other conditions. Body Wise International sold the supplement under the brand name "AG-Immune." The Federal Trade Commission, the Orange County District Attorney, and the California State Attorney General filed suit alleging the drug was useless in treating or preventing any of the diseases, and that it violated a previous 1995 FTC order against them.

The FTC also reached a settlement with Dr. Jesse A. Stoff, who had signed on with the company as an "expert" endorser of AG-Immune, to resolve allegations that he made deceptive claims for the product. In promotional materials and at seminars, Body Wise and Dr. Stoff allegedly claimed that AG-Immune could prevent or treat numerous diseases or conditions, including cancer, HIV/AIDS, heart disease, chronic fatigue syndrome, and asthma, and that AG-Immune improves immune system function to prevent or treat these and many other diseases and conditions.

Dr. Stoff was paid royalties for every bottle of AG-Immune sold. Body Wise sold AG-Immune for approximately $50 for a one-month supply, and had over $14 million in sales.

In 1995, Body Wise settled FTC allegations that the company had made unsubstantiated claims for weight loss and cholesterol products. The resulting order from that incident barred Body Wise from making certain false or unsubstantiated claims for dietary supplements, misrepresenting any test or study, and failing to disclose the connection between Body Wise and persons endorsing a Body Wise product. Will they get the message this time? (.. they're still more than $10 million ahead after the fines...) ▼

Male Circumcision Reduces Transmission Risk From Women To Men

The first study to examine the probability of HIV infection per act of heterosexual sex among a population with multiple sexual partners has found that uncircumcised men have more than twice the risk of acquiring HIV than do circumcised men. In the study, researchers from the United States and Kenya collected detailed sexual data from 745 male Kenyan truckers and discovered that the probability of infection for those men who have multiple, concurrent female partners was significantly higher than the infection rates calculated from studies of monogamous couples.

Their results may help explain the rapid spread of HIV in settings where circumcision is not common and multiple sexual partners are. Over the length of the study, the men were asked to give information concerning the number of sexual encounters with three different partner types—wives, casual partners, and prostitutes—and were screened for HIV and other sexually transmitted infections. At the end of the study, the probability of infection was calculated using a statistical model that estimated the rates of HIV infection among the three types of sexual partners. The uncircumcised men had twice the risk of infection per sexual act compared with circumcised men -- one in 80, versus one in 200.

Other studies have also found greater HIV infection risk in uncircumcised men, and the Kenya study was an opportunity to include a look at cultural characteristics that might be responsible for differences in sexual behavior. But the researchers found that when groups of men were excluded from the analysis based on ethnic or religious characteristics, the difference in probability of infection relating to circumcision remained the same. ▼

Local Events Of Interest

Dinner with the Dietitian is back for 2005. CARES clinic's nutrition specialist, Margie Erwin, continues her popular dinner meetings (with *free dinner*!) in the clinic's first floor boardroom, 6:00-7:30, first Monday (usually) of every month. Just call 914-6285 to RSVP and make sure event is still on, and come enjoy the evening's topic. (If you forget to RSVP, come anyway, says Margie...) Here's the topic schedule: **Feb 7**, Mealtime: balance, timing; **Mar 7**, Physical Activity Despite Pain and Numbness (guest speaker from Arthritis Foundation); **April 4**, Anabolic Steroid Use: pros and cons of prescription steroids to build muscle mass and fight weight loss; **May 2**, Foods that Heal: build a healthy immune system; **June 6**, Food and Mood: impact of depression on food intake; **July 11** (note: second Monday), Grilling Out: food safety tips, cooking ideas — Picnic at McKinley Park (guest speakers from Refer a Chef Catering).

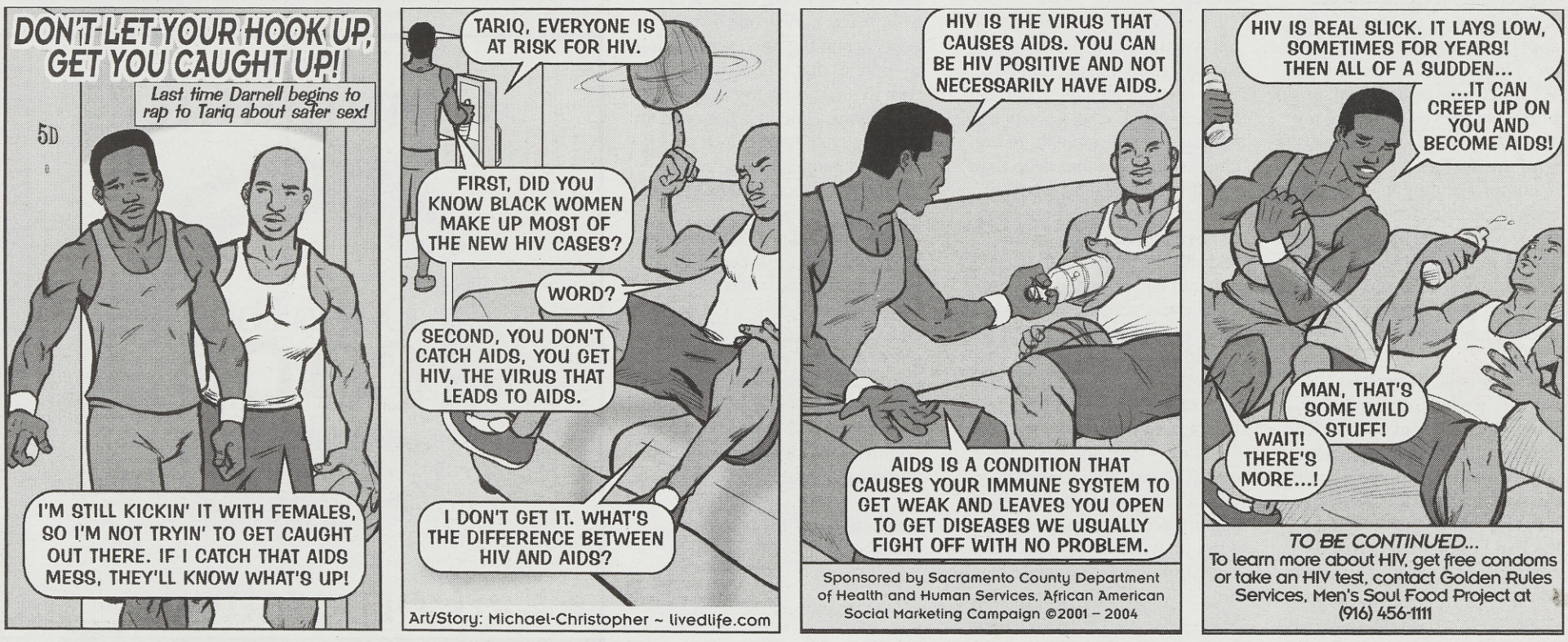
Social group celebrates 3rd anniversary. Check out the Sacramento Valley POZabilities web site and meet other gay, positive men who find plenty to do outside the bar scene (sacvalleypozabilities.org). A monthly party, brunch every Sunday at 11:30 at the Western Coffee Pot (Auburn & Greenback), coffee every Thurs morning at 10 am at the Open Book, and numerous other get-togethers might catch your eye and bring you delightful friendships.

Sacramento Valley Leathermen continue their very popular Pancake Breakfast benefits, the first Sunday of each month at Faces, 10 to 1:00. The $6 buys you all you can eat, and helps support local HIV and GLBT organizations. On the first Thurs of each month (at the Geery, 22nd & L), their safe-sex education classes discuss how to do leather sex safely and sanely. If interested in events of the leathermen, check their web site (www.svlclub.org) or call their events line (486-5500). ▼

Number Of Gay Infections Doubles In Norway

The annual number of new HIV cases among gay men in Norway has more than doubled in the past two years, says the country's Institute of Public Health. After a decade of recording about 30 new HIV cases among gay men annually, the Institute listed 57 new cases in 2003, and as many as 70 new cases in 2004.

"The reasons for the increase in HIV are many," said one Institute official, but, he noted, one of the most worrying reasons is that gays are increasingly exposing themselves to the risk of infection by having unsafe sex. ▼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Proposed Bill Seeks To Teach Accurate Sex Education

Under a bill recently proposed in the Washington State legislature, any public school that teaches sex education would be required to teach a comprehensive, medically, and scientifically accurate curriculum. The bill calls for schools offering sex education to teach various methods of preventing STDs and pregnancy in addition to abstinence.

Sex education is optional in Washington public schools, but an AIDS education program is required. Current state law urges, but does not require, schools to include information about sex outside of marriage.

The bill is based on the sex-education guidelines issued in mid-January by the Washington state health department and the superintendent of public instruction. The state PTA, Washington Medical Association, and Association of School Principals support the bill, saying they do not believe accurate sex education will lead to premarital sex.

The state superintendent noted that, while abstinence is the only unequivocal way to avoid STDs and pregnancy, federal abstinence-only programs are contributing to the dissemination of false information, often teaching myths, and discrediting the effectiveness of condoms. Because of the federal abstinence-only push and $175 million in grants attached as a condition of teaching abstinence-only, he said, numerous programs throughout the country are now abstinence-only.

Congratulations to Washington officials for taking a stand. ▼

Uganda Begins New Condom-Giveaway Program

Officials in Uganda announced that taxi cabs, mini-buses, municipal and regional coaches, and ferries will immediately begin distributing free condoms and advice as part of the government's fight against HIV/AIDS.

"We have developed a strategy to work with the public transport system to raise awareness," said the official who runs the program for the Health Ministry. Under the plan, the ministry will recruit transport operators to serve as peer educators, and taxis will become distribution points for condoms. In addition, passenger vehicles will play audio recordings of a serialized drama series about HIV prevention.

"The main focus is about behavioral change because it seems the majority of people know about HIV and AIDS, but many have failed to change their behavior," said the official. ▼

Fast Retraction From Spain's Catholic Leaders RegardingCondoms

A Roman Catholic bishop at a conference in Spain in mid-January stated that the use of condoms and practicing sexual restraint appeared to be the best strategy to tackle the disease. He added that "The Church is very worried and interested by this problem, and its position is backed by scientific proposals such as the one published in the prestigious magazine, *The Lancet*." The statement elicited much excitement in the press with stories declaring that the Catholic Church in Spain had finally acknowledged that condoms could play a role in the global fight against AIDS, and noted that eight people per day become infected with the virus in Spain.

Within hours, however, the Bishop's statement was corrected by his superiors, who emphasized that in no way have they changed their opinion about condoms, and that they regard their use in any situation as "immoral sexual conduct."

The Catholic Church itself, whose agencies provide 25 percent of the care to people with AIDS worldwide, often issues mixed comments about its official position on the use of condoms to prevent transmission of AIDS, and the debate among Catholic theologians is said to be still evolving. However, the Spanish bishops have now clarified their official position, saying "It is not possible to advise using condoms, as that is contrary to personal morality." ▼

Harvard Professor Develops Potential Herpes Vaccine

A new herpes vaccine developed by a Harvard Medical School professor may be on its way to human testing. "The vaccine is a genetically engineered virus missing essential replication genes," and the vaccine prevents herpes because it causes the virus to only partially complete its replication process. This then enables cells to produce anti-bodies and T-cells that help to regulate the immune system and prevent infection, he said.

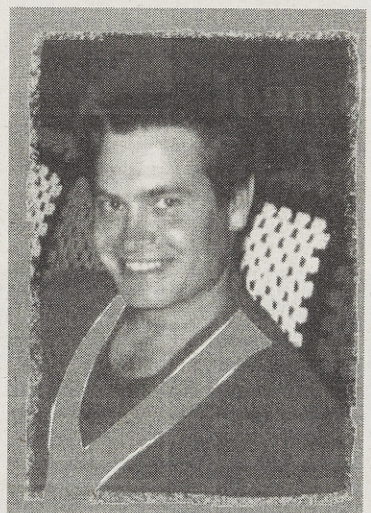
There are two basic types of the herpes virus, HSV-1 and HSV-2, both of which can cause genital herpes. Currently, there is no cure for HSV-2, the sexually transmitted variety, which can also cause oral herpes (or cold sores) and affects about one out of every five Americans over the age of 12. The promising new vaccine targets HSV-2.

The researcher noted that previous failed herpes vaccines have made drug companies wary of investing in human testing, but that new, positive data for his vaccine will hopefully make it a more viable candidate. His hope is that within a few years, two clinical trials can be started for a vaccine. The first will be a therapeutic trial with people who have already contracted herpes, to see if the vaccine can reduce the infection. The second will test whether it can prevent herpes in people without the disease. ▼

South Africa's Mandela Family Buries Another Lost To AIDS

Just hours after his last surviving son, Makgatho, succumbed at a Johannesburg hospital, Nelson Mandela told the public his son had died of AIDS-related complications. At the funeral, Makgatho's son Mandla – following the example of his grandfather Nelson a few days before – told the thousands of mourners in attendance that his mother's death a year ago was also due to AIDS, and not pneumonia as they had previously stated.

He pleaded for South Africans to be more open about the disease, which has infected more than 5 million of the country's 45 million people. ▼



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On The Health Front

NorCal AIDS Challenge; Making Introductions

By Jim McCann

I'm **Jim McCann** and I am one of the co-chairs for the NorCal AIDS Challenge. Over the next months I will be introducing you to a few people that are associated with the NorCal AIDS Challenge. The NorCal Aids Challenge is a new cycling event that is a fund raiser for HIV/AIDS agencies in Northern California. You can visit our website at www.norcalaidschallenge.org for more information.

John Rambo is the Executive Director of the Breaking Barriers Community Services Center in Sacramento. The Breaking Barriers Community Services Center is one of the beneficiaries of the ride. John would like you all to know the following:

"The leadership, staff and volunteers of Breaking Barriers Community Services Center are thrilled to see the Nor Cal AIDS Challenge bike ride coming to fruition and that it is proving to be such a community-centered event, not just for Sacramento but for the whole Northern California region. After 10 years of "California" AIDS cycling events that only contributed funds to Los Angeles and San Francisco AIDS service organizations the time for such an event is long overdue.

The Nor Cal AIDS Challenge will raise much needed funds for supportive services provided to people living with HIV/AIDS in the Sacramento valley, services that have seen reduced levels of government funding because of the rising cost of medical care. Breaking Barriers for example has had to raise an additional $50,000 a year to continue its volunteer support programs because those were eliminated as a priority by the HIV Health Services Planning Council in 2002. Cost limitations and funding caps have also reduced the viability of running HIV/AIDS programs without additional fundraising. Last year Breaking Barriers' government funding for transportation, food delivery and case management covered only 87% of the actual costs for running these programs. Without the community's support, through events like the Nor Cal AIDS Challenge, these services could not continue. This is why it is so important that everyone reading this go online right away to www.norcalaidschallenge.org and sign up to ride or sponsor a rider. The future of HIV/AIDS services in our region depends on you." ▼

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Capital City Hoopsters:
Team Sacramento Makes Respectable Showing

Team Sacramento made a very respectible showing in the annual Hillcrest Classic Gay Basketball Tournament in San Diego over Martin Luther King Weekend, January 15 and 16. The team, which consists of hand-picked all-stars from Capital City Hoopsters Gay Basketball League, continued to show improvement in only their 3rd tournament in 3 years. Team Sacramento finished with 3 wins and 2 losses for the two day tournament. During the opening "round robbin" session on Saturday, Team Sacramento "RimRockerz" easily defeated Chicago WCAA All-Stars by a score of 46-28 behind very balanced scoring with 7 of 10 players on Sacramento's roster scoring 7 or more points. Reigning league MVP **Erickson Aquino** had an especially stellar performace scoring 10 points along with 6 assists, 3 steals and 5 rebounds, however everyone on the team contributed in their own way. The team shot an excellent 50% from the field and completely dominated in the rebounding category too.

In their second round robbin game, Team Sacramento was pitted against the Arizona Desert Storm, 2003 Hillcrest Tournament Champions. No one expected Sacramento to win this game, let alone compete (Because their team is so new to the gay basketball tournament scene) however, the RimRockerz shocked the gay basketball tournament world and took a commanding double digit lead in the second half and held off a furious second half rally by the Desert Storm to win by one point 31-30. **Paul Demke** led the team in scoring with 11 points with **Drew B.**, **Bill Schipper** and **Jeff Freitas** grabbing some key rebounds.

The third and final game saw a very tired RimRockerz team play a tough San Diego Devils team. Sacramento couldn't seem to make a basket the first half no doubt due to the previous emotional game vs. the Desert Storm. San Diego took full advantage of Sacramento's fatigue and whipped the RimRockerz by a score of 45-18.

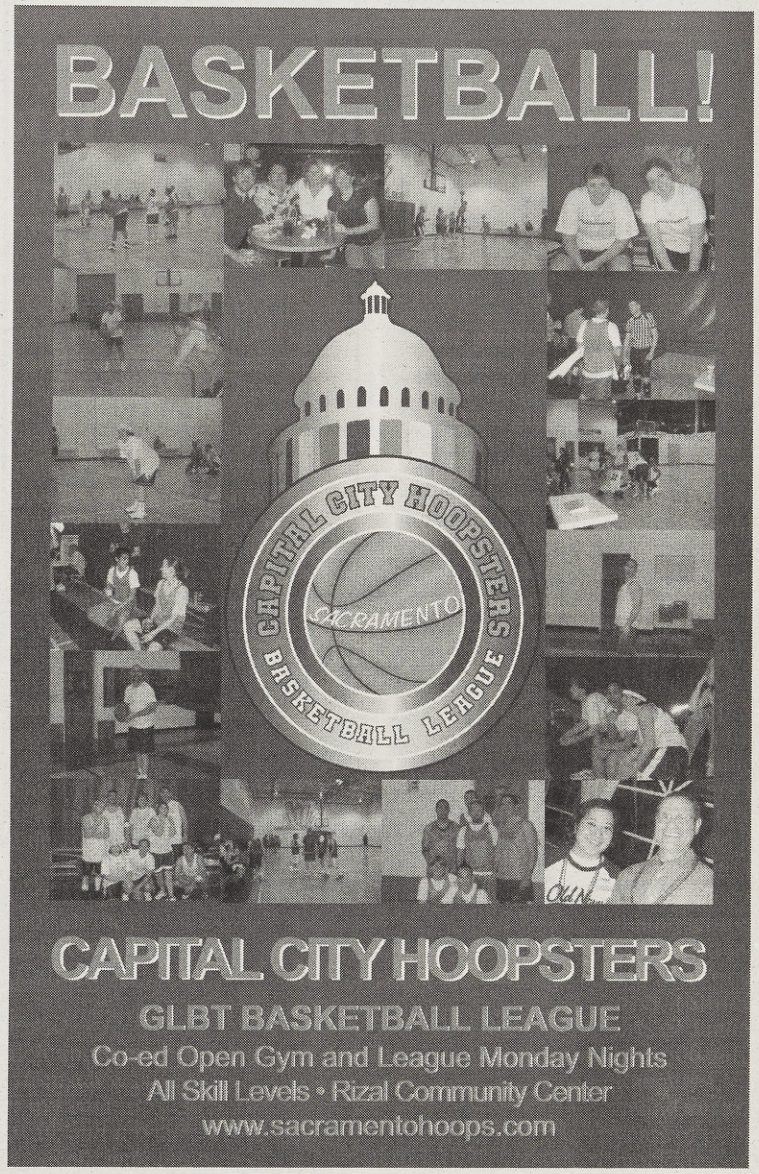
The actual tournament took place the following day (Sunday) with brackets, seedings and opponents based solely on round robbin play. Team Sacramento was seeded sixth (out of 12) and was scheduled to play perennial power Chicago Spin. This was a very good game, however, Sacramento led the entire way and even by double digits at times. The RimRockerz eventually came away with a 56-51 hard fought victory. **Paul Demke, Drew B.** and **Brent Sims** paced the RimRockerz with 20, 12 and 11 points. Brent and Drew also added six rebounds each.

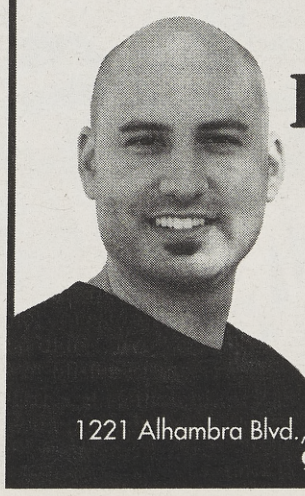
The victory in the opening round over Chicago set up a rematch with the San Diego Devils team who easily knocked off the RimRockerz the day before in the round robbin session. Sacramento was determined to make a better showing but got off to a bad start the first half and trailed by 8 points at half time. San Diego increased their league to double digits to open the second half and it looked as if the RimRockerz might go down easily again. Sacramento slowly but surely chipped away at San Diego's lead to pull within only 2 points late in the game and gave themselves the opportunity to win, however in the end, San Diego escaped with a narrow 48-47 victory, however this game helped Team Sacramento earn back their respect after being blown out the previous day by San Diego. San Diego advanced to the championship round to eventually lose to the New York Ballers by 3 points.

Sacramento coach **Mark Jacobson** stated, "Our team has good reason to feel very proud of ourselves and also to be very optimistic about our chances in future tournaments considering that our team is quite young in comparison to other teams and has many good years ahead of them. All we are missing is a little bit of tournament experience and a bit more playing time together." Jacobson noted that because Team Sacramento consists of all-stars from the basketball league, they are usually playing *against* rather than *with* one another. "It's only a matter of time as our young, talented players learn to play together. Sacramento will be a force to be reckoned with," added Jacobson.

Sacramento will be competing for the first time in the Windy City Classic, the national gay and lesbian basketball tournament to be held April 9 and 10 in Chicago. This is the largest gay and lesbian tournament in the world. (www.wcaa.net) The team will be holding fundraisers to help raise money to send players. Fundraisers will include car washes, a silent auction and a pancake breakfast. Their goal is to make enough money to cover all of the players traveling costs to Chicago.

Team Sacramento will be blocking group airfare and group hotel accommodations and invites friends and fans to cheer them on in Chicago. For more information on the team and the league, visit www.sacramentohoops.com ▼

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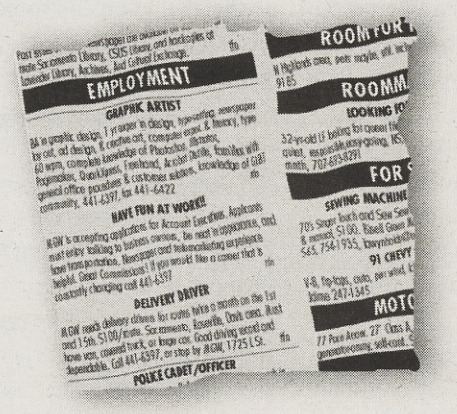

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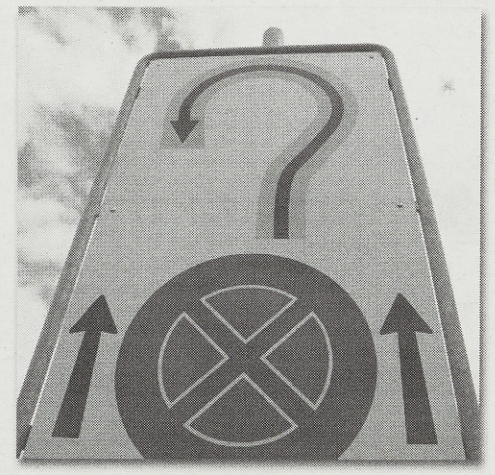

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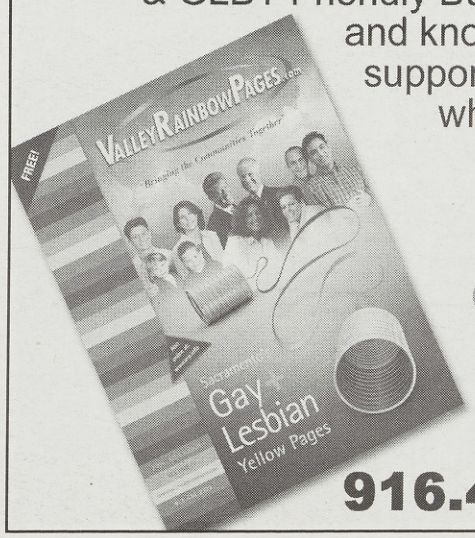

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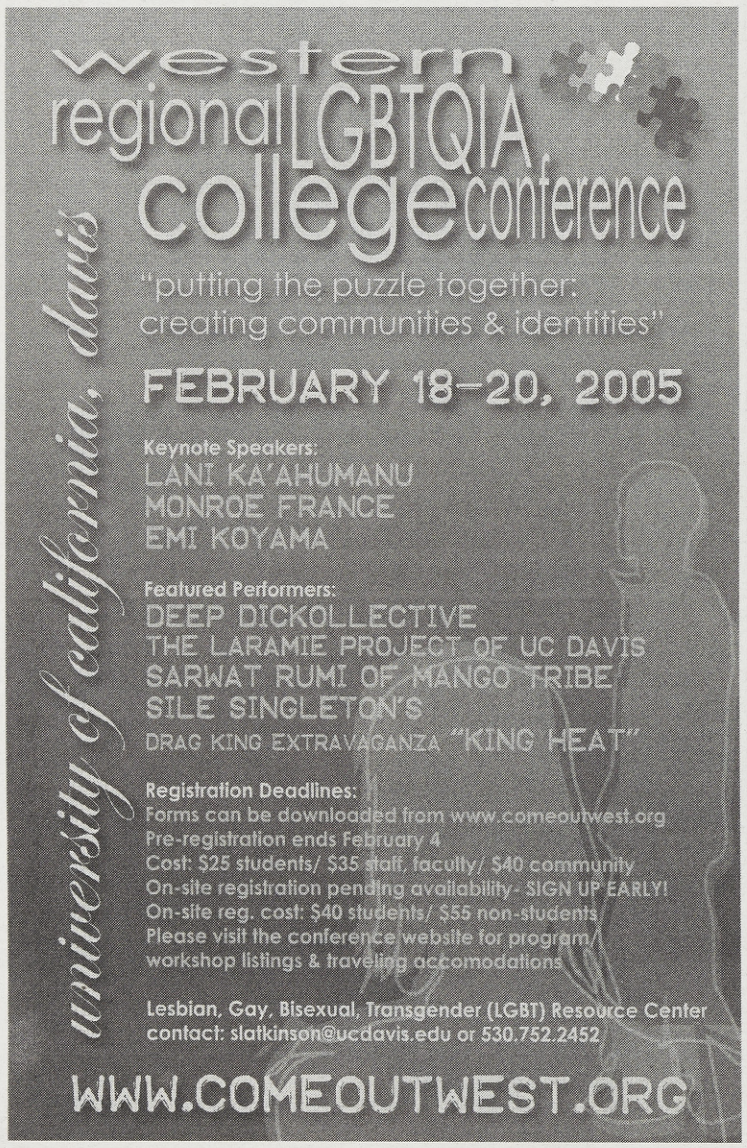

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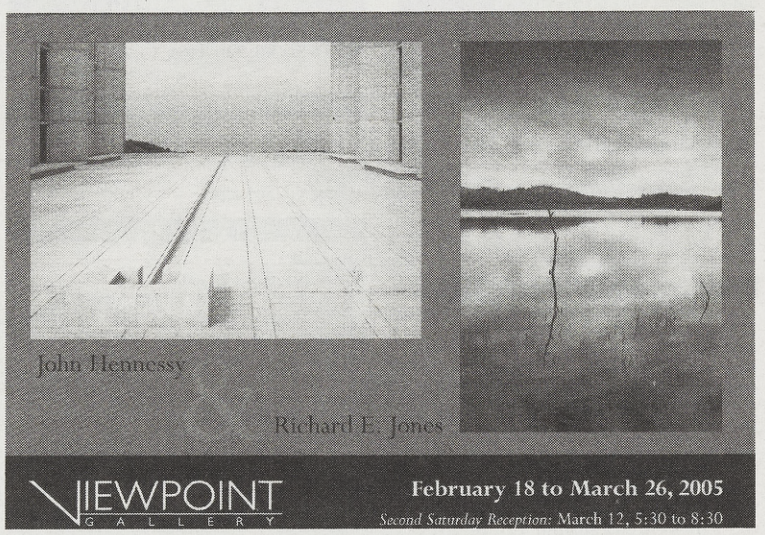

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Mall Dr., Sacramentohoops.com
Torch Club: King Trio
9:30pm, 904 15th Street,
www.torchclub.net

8 TUESDAY

SF Independent Film Festival
Various Locations, 415-820-3907
www.sfindie.com
Rainbow Festival Awards
Cocktails 5:30pm, Dinner 7pm,
Club 21, 1119 21st St.
International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org
Torch Club: Lew Fratis Trio
9:30pm, 904 15th Street,
www.torchclub.net

9 WEDNESDAY

SF Independent Film Festival
Various Locations, 415-820-3907
www.sfindie.com
Torch Club:
Jimmy Pailer & His Bad Boys
9:30pm, 904 15th Street,
www.torchclub.net
International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org

10 THURSDAY

SF Independent Film Festival
Various Locations, 415-820-3907
www.sfindie.com
Coming Out Group
Wyndancse Womyn's Center
7pm, 973-2838, ext. 247
International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org
East Coast Swing Dance,
7-8pm; **Ballroom Dance**
8-9pm, La Sierra Community
Center, Sierra Rooms 1 & 2,
5325 Engle Road, Carmichael
carmichaelpark.com
Country Western Line Dance
6-7pm - Beginning, 7:30-9pm
Intermediate, Fair Oaks Club
House, 7997 California Ave.,
www.carmichaelpark.com
GLBTI Leadership Meeting
6-6:45pm, Uptown Studios,
912 1/2 J Street, 446-1082
Torch Club:
Acoustic With Sherman Baker
5pm, **The Beer Dogs**, 9:30pm,
904 15th Street, www.torchclub.net

11 FRIDAY

International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org
Women's Mixer
Uptown Studios, 912 1/2 J St.,
446-1082
Torch Club: Acoustic Trio
w/Pailer, Fratis
4:30pm, 904 15th Street,
www.torchclub.net
SF Independent Film Festival
Various Locations, 415-820-3907
www.sfindie.com

12 SATURDAY

SF Independent Film Festival
Various Locations, 415-820-3907
www.sfindie.com
Second Saturday For Kids:
Material Explosion
Noon-3pm, Crocker Art Museum,
216 O Street, crockerartmuseum.com
International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org
Torch Club: Acoustic Trio
Good Gravy - 4:30pm,
904 15th Street, www.torchclub.net

13 SUNDAY

SF Independent Film Festival
Various Locations, 415-820-3907
www.sfindie.com
International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org
CGNIE - Red & White Ball
Dinner 6pm, Show 7pm
Club 21, 1119 21st St.

14 MONDAY

SF Independent Film Festival
Various Locations, 415-820-3907
www.sfindie.com
International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org

February Calendar Of Events

Valentines Day Dinner
5-10pm, Dramatic Catering & Event Planning, 670-3286

15 TUESDAY

How-To Clinic - Home Depot,
7pm, 9150 W. Stockton Blvd
(800) 430-3376
International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org

16 WEDNESDAY

Fun Stuff At The Library
Elk Grove LIbrary, 3:30pm
8962 Elk Grove Blvd.
International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org

17 THURSDAY

Coming Out Group
Wyndancse Womyn's Center
7pm, 973-2838, ext. 247
East Coast Swing Dance,
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8-9pm, La Sierra Community
Center, Sierra Rooms 1 & 2,
5325 Engle Road, Carmichael
carmichaelpark.com
International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org
Sacramento Opera Fundraiser
6:30pm, Sacramento Grand
Ballroom, 629 J St. 737-1000
Country Western Line Dance
6-7pm - Beginning, 7:30-9pm
Intermediate, Fair Oaks Club
House, 7997 California Ave.,
www.carmichaelpark.com

18 FRIDAY

16th Annual Western Regional LGBTQIA College Conference
University of California, Davis,
One Shields Ave, Davis
www.comeoutwest.com
International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org

19 SATURDAY

Torch Club: Acoustic Trio Good Gravy - 4:30pm,
904 15th Street, www.torchclub.net
16th Annual Western Regional LGBTQIA College Conference
University of California, Davis,
One Shields Ave, Davis
www.comeoutwest.com
International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org

20 SUNDAY

West Sacramento Family Day,
10am-5pm, **Family Sunday: The Art of Puppetry** 1-3pm, Crocker
Art Museum, 216 O Street,
crockerartmuseum.com
International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org
16th Annual Western Regional LGBTQIA College Conference
University of California, Davis,
One Shields Ave, Davis
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21 MONDAY

How-To Clinic - Home Depot,
7pm, 9150 W. Stockton Blvd
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International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org

22 TUESDAY

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International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org

23 WEDNESDAY

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International Film Festival,
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San Francisco, www.hrw.org

24 THURSDAY

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House, 7997 California Ave.,
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International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org

25 FRIDAY

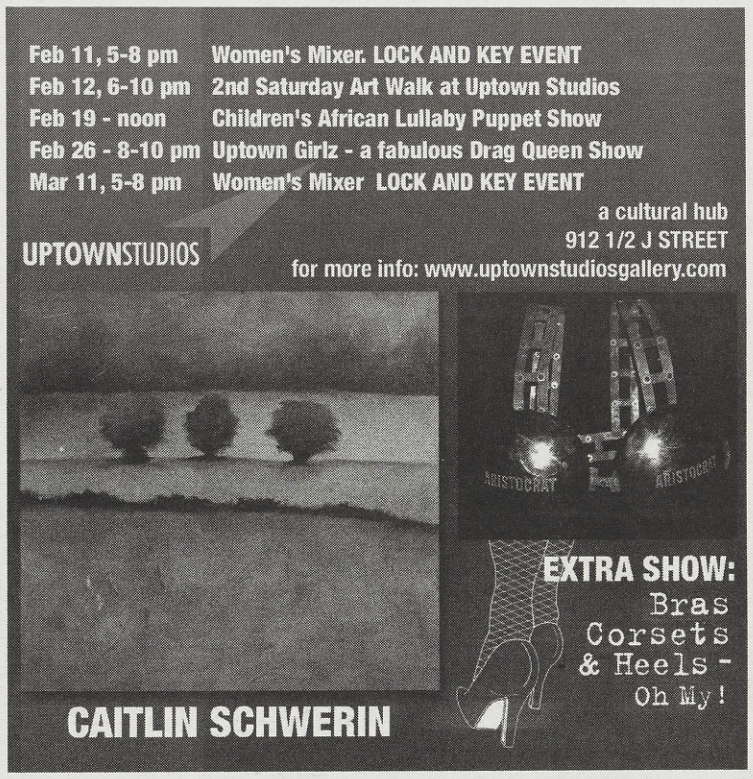
International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org

26 SATURDAY

Old Sac Live
www.downtownsac.org, 558-3912
Sacramento Children's Home Guild Annual Crab Feed
Portuguese Hall, 6676 Pocket Rd.
454-3848
Torch Club: Acoustic Trio Good Gravy - 4:30pm,
904 15th Street, www.torchclub.net

27 SUNDAY

International Film Festival,
Yerba Buena Center For Arts,
San Francisco, www.hrw.org


Feb 11, 5-8 pm Women's Mixer. LOCK AND KEY EVENT
Feb 12, 6-10 pm 2nd Saturday Art Walk at Uptown Studios
Feb 19 - noon Children's African Lullaby Puppet Show
Feb 26 - 8-10 pm Uptown Girlz - a fabulous Drag Queen Show
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Art Galleries

20th Street Art Gallery
New Works By Bob Girasek; The Black And White Show, thru January 29, 2005, High School Self Portrait Show, February 2 thru February 5, 2005, People And Places, February 9 thru March 5, 2005, 911 20th St., 930-0500, www.20thstart.com
BAMPFA
Blind At The Museum, January 26 thru July 24, 2005, MATRIX 214: Mark Manders The Absence of Mark Manders, February 6 thru April 10, 2005, MATRIX 215: Althea Thauberger, A Memory Lasts Forever, February 6th thru April 10, 2005, Drawn By Brush; Oil sketches by Peter Paul Rubens, March 2 thru May 15, 2005, MATRIX 216: Slater Bradly, April 24 thru June 26, 2005, 2625 Durant Avenue #2250, Berkely, 510-642-0808
Chroma Gallery
Holiday Splendor, thru January 2005, Fair Oaks Cafe, thru April 2005, 10030 Fair Oaks Blvd., Fair Oaks, 966-6020
www.thechromagallery.com
Crocker Art Museum
Edward Weston; Life Work, thru January 30, 2005, Neo Mod; Recent Northern California Abstraction, thru January 30, 2005, The Crocker-Kingsley; Northern California's Biennial, January 29 thru March 13, 2005, Watching The Sacramento Kings; Photographs by Vesna Pavlovic, January 29 thru March 13, 2005, 216 O Street
www.crockerartmuseum.org
Exploding Head Gallery
The Geometry of Space, thru January 29, 2005, Peace Within The Noise, February 3rd thru February 26, 2005, 924 12th St., 442-8424
Hang Art
Holiday Splendor, ongoing; Tjasa Owen, ongoing, 556 & 567 Sutter Street, SF 415-434-4264
Legion of Honor
Observations Of The Spirit; The Sketchbooks of Judith Clancy, 1950-1990, thru January 16, 2005; Bonjour Monsieur Courbet, January 22 thru April 3, 2005; Bouqets To Art, March 8 thru March 11, 2005, 100 34th Ave., SF 415-750-3614
Pence Gallery
Hidden In Plain Site; Stellar Art from Area Collections, reception 5-9pm, February 4th, 212 D Street, Davis, (530) 758-3370
SF MOMA
Robert Bechtle; A Retrospective, February 12th thru June 5th, 2005, Roy Lichtenstein; All About Art, thru February 22, 2005; Glamour: Fashion, Industrial Design, Architecture, thru January 17, 2005, Belles Lettres, thru April 17, 2005, Double Feature: Mary Lucier & Gordon Matta-Clark, thru January 23, 2005, New Work: Rachel Harrison, thru March 13, 2005, 151 Third Street, SF, 415-357-4000
Solomon Dubnick
California Figurative, thru January 29, 2005, Laura Hohlwein; Turning Over The World, Ronald Gibbons; Irresistible Vanities, February 3 thru February 26, 2005, Contemplating Realism, March 3 thru April 2, 2005; 2131 Northrop Ave., 920-4547

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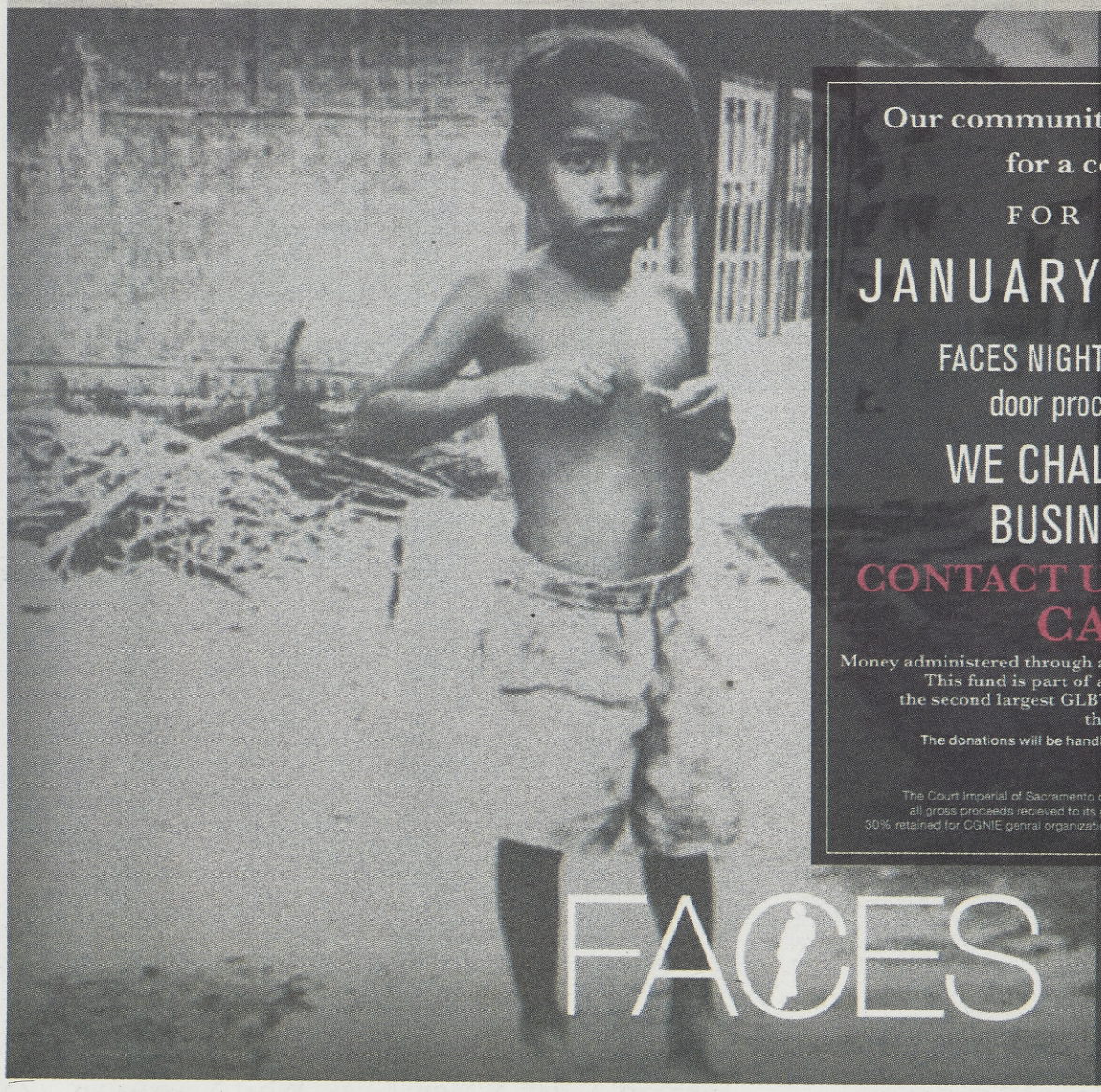

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